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Dear Ms. Tilghman:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-You have failed to designate Mercantile Bank as a depository on your Statement of Organization (FEC FORM 1). Commission Regulations require that each political committee disclose the name of its campaign depository or depositories (State banks, Federally chartered depository institutions or depository institutions the depositor accounts of which are insured). Please amend your Statement of Organization (FEC FORM 1 copy attached) to disclose all committee depositories.

-The beginning cash balance of this report does not equal the ending balance of your Year End Report 1999. Please correct this discrepancy and amend all subsequent reports(s) which may be affected by the correction.

-For future reports, please be advised that contributions to other committees or charitable organizations are not operating expenditures. These amounts should be disclosed on Line 21 of the Detailed Summary Page and itemized on a separate Schedule B.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our